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Public Health Grand Rounds presents:

Learning from Katrina: Tough Lessons in Preparedness and Emergency Response

A National Live Satellite Broadcast and Webcast
March 31, 2006

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Target Audience

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Registration

To register, visit

<http://www.publichealthgrandrounds.unc.edu/>.

Registration for this program will only be available online. If you do not have Internet access, please seek assistance from a public resource such as a library.

Course Materials

Program handouts will be available at

<http://www.publichealthgrandrounds.unc.edu/> on

March 31, 2006. Additional handouts may be added later.

Post-Program Online Discussion Forum

The North Carolina Center for Public Health

Preparedness will facilitate an online discussion forum beginning March 31 and ending on April 7. You are invited to ask questions and share your best practices.

Satellite Technical Specifications

Satellite coordinates for this course are available on the program web site and on page 3.

Sites registering via the Internet at

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Public Health Grand Rounds Series

The program sponsors and partners invite you to participate in this satellite broadcast, one of a series of electronically convened, interactive grand rounds that focus on contemporary, strategic public health issues. Through in-depth analysis of real world issues by experts in the science and practice of public health, these programs will provide a forum through which health professionals and others can develop timely, reasoned, and productive responses to public health challenges of regional, national, and global significance.



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Public Health Grand Rounds is a series of satellite broadcasts and webcasts presenting real-world case studies on public health issues ranging from obesity to bioterrorism, from SARS to food safety.

Our next program, coming up June 9, 2006:

After Katrina: Building a Better Public Health System for the Future

More details on this program will be posted soon.

Highlights



Disasters, People, and Public Health: Are You Ready? This archived program highlights the lessons learned from Hurricane Floyd in 1999.



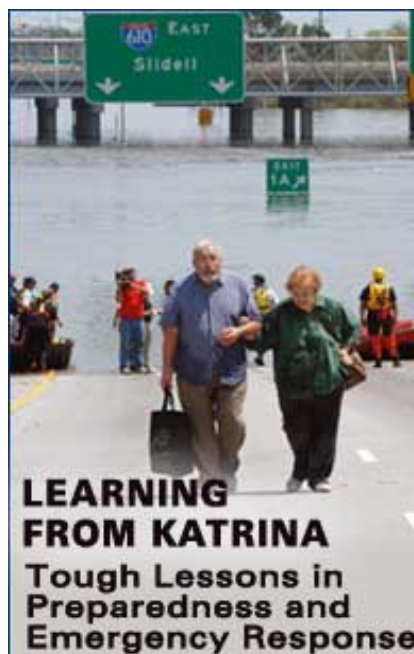
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